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Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Canceled).

2. (Currently Amended) A printing apparatus using the a network according to claim 1, which is used in a network environment in which a plurality of computer devices and a plurality of network printing apparatuses are connected to the network, said printing apparatus comprising:

a spool section which spools printing jobs received from the computer devices;

a display section which displays information of the printing jobs and information of other network printing apparatuses in response to a preset operation;

an operating section which is used to receive a specification of one of the printing jobs based on the information of the printing jobs and a specification of one of the network printing apparatuses based on the information of the other network printing apparatuses; and

a transfer section which transfers the specified printing job to the specified network printing apparatus;

wherein each of the information of the other network printing apparatuses contains the includes a spool state of the printing jobs of each of the other network printing apparatuses.

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Claim 3 (Canceled).

4. (Currently Amended) A printing apparatus using ~~the~~
~~a network according to claim 3, which is used in a network~~
~~environment in which a plurality of computer devices and a~~
~~plurality of network printing apparatuses are connected to the~~
~~network, said printing apparatus comprising:~~

~~a spool section which spools printing jobs received from the~~
~~computer devices;~~

~~a web page section which stores a web page via which the~~
~~spooled printing jobs and information of other network printing~~
~~apparatuses are provided to at least one of the computer devices,~~
~~and through which a specification of one of the printing jobs and~~
~~a specification of one of the network printing apparatuses are~~
~~received; and~~

~~a transfer section which transfers the specified printing~~
~~job to the specified network printing apparatus;~~

~~wherein each of the information of the other network~~
~~printing apparatuses contains the includes a spool state of the~~
~~printing jobs of each of the other network printing apparatuses.~~

Claim 5 (Canceled).

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6. (Currently Amended) A printing system using the
~~a network according to claim 5, which is used in a network~~
~~environment in which a plurality of computer devices and a~~
~~plurality of network printing apparatuses are connected to the~~
5 ~~network, wherein at least one of the computer devices comprises:~~
~~an application section which stores an application for~~
~~collecting (i) information of printing jobs spooled in one of the~~
~~network printing apparatuses to which the computer transmits a~~
~~printing job and (ii) information of other network printing~~
10 ~~apparatuses are collected, and for receiving a specification of~~
~~one of the printing jobs and a specification of one of the~~
~~network printing apparatuses based on the collected information,~~
~~wherein the computer transmits the received specifications as~~
~~information to the network printing apparatus;~~
15 ~~wherein at least one of the network printing apparatuses~~
~~comprises:~~
~~a spool section which spools printing jobs received~~
~~from the computer devices;~~
~~a collecting section which collects the information of~~
20 ~~the spooled printing jobs and the information of the other~~
~~network printing apparatuses when a prescribed instruction is~~
~~received from the application of the computer; and~~
~~a transfer section which transfers the specified~~
~~printing job to the specified network printing apparatus; and~~

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25 wherein ~~each~~ of the information items of the other network printing apparatuses ~~contains~~ the includes a spool state of the printing jobs of each of the other network printing apparatuses.

Claim 7 (Canceled).

8. (Currently Amended) A printing method using the a network ~~according to claim 7, which is used in a network environment in which a plurality of computer devices and a plurality of network printing apparatuses are connected to the network, said method comprising:~~
~~spooling, by one of the network printing apparatuses, printing jobs received from the computer devices;~~
~~displaying information of the printing jobs;~~
~~receiving, from an operating section, a specification of one of the printing jobs based on the information of the printing jobs;~~
~~displaying information of other network printing apparatuses;~~
~~receiving, from the operating section, a specification of one of the network printing apparatuses based on the information of the other network printing apparatuses; and~~
~~transferring the specified printing job to the specified network printing apparatus;~~

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wherein ~~each of~~ the information of the other network
20 printing apparatuses ~~contains the~~ includes a spool state of the
printing jobs of each of the other network printing apparatuses.

Claim 9 (Canceled).

10. (Currently Amended) A printing method using ~~the a~~
network according to claim 9, which is used in a network
environment in which a plurality of computer devices and a
plurality of network printing apparatuses are connected to the
5 network, said method comprising:

spooling, by one of the network printing apparatuses,
printing jobs received from the computer devices;
providing information of the spooled printing jobs via a web
page;
10 receiving a specification of one of the printing jobs via
the web page;
providing information of other network printing apparatuses
via the web page;
receiving a specification of one of the other network
15 printing apparatuses; and
transferring the specified printing job to the specified
network printing apparatus;

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wherein ~~each~~ of the information of the other network printing apparatuses ~~contains the~~ includes a spool state of the printing jobs of each of the other network printing apparatuses.

20 Claim 11 (Canceled).

12. (Currently Amended) A printing method using ~~the a~~ network according to claim 11, which is used in a network environment in which a plurality of computer devices and a plurality of network printing apparatuses are connected to the network, said method comprising:

5 spooling, by one of the network printing apparatuses, printing jobs received from the computer devices;
collecting information of the spooled printing jobs when a prescribed instruction is received from an application stored in
10 at least one of the computer devices;

15 receiving, via the application, a specification of one of printing jobs based on the collected information of the spooled printing jobs;

collecting information of other network printing apparatuses when a prescribed instruction is received via the application;
receiving, via the application, a specification of one of the network printing apparatuses based on the collected information of the other network printing apparatuses; and

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transferring the specified printing job to the specified
20 network printing apparatus;
wherein each ~~of~~ the information of the other network
printing apparatuses contains the includes a spool state of the
printing jobs of each of the other network printing apparatuses.